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THE FIRST PAIR

Of Silk Stockings Made in Merrie England

Were Worn by Good Queen Bess—"Fit for a Fair"—Two Statesmen at Swords' Points.

["H. B. A." in Chicago Tribune.]

From the concert we drove with some English friends through Hyde park to the Health exhibition, or, as the Mater persists in calling it, "the Health Lift." "Ye Worshipful Companie of Frame-Work Knitters" have on exhibition at the Health the first pair of silk stockings made in this country and worn by Queen Elizabeth.

The attendant here presented a marked contrast in manner and appearance to our wrought-iron individual, and seemed to take pleasure in giving us all possible information. Pointing to a case which contained the famous stockings, he said: "I tried hard to make her majesty have a better shape to her, but I couldn't, and she must have been a spook, for those stockings were made to fit her." Sure enough, the famous hose of deep yellow or old gold openwork were of one size without the variation of a stitch from ankle to knee. The feet were long and narrow, and shaped much as the knitted stocking of to-day. It is said that these were made by a Mrs. Montague, who presented them to her royal mistress, begging that she would at least give them a trial.

The queen had up to this time worn cloth hose, and, being with her counselors, Leicester and Burleigh, at the time she received the gift, she asked them what they thought of this new idea in stockings. Leicester, the flatterer, looked at them and, when her majesty said "They seem but fit for a fairy," replied: "If that be so they must suit our queen, who is the fairest of the earth and a fairy queen indeed." The maiden sovereign, ever amenable to flattery, was much touched by Lord Leicester's gallantry, but seeing a frown on Burleigh's face she said: "What has my Lord Burleigh to say?" and was not overpleased to hear that bluff but upright statesman reply that he thought "good honest cloth hose was well enough for any one, and that her majesty's wearing such things as silk hose would upset the cloth hose trade." This remark, although unpleasant to the queen, was not without effect as she herself had made very strict sumptuary laws in which the people were prohibited expensive and unnecessary embellishments in dress, etc.

If the minister had stopped there kitted stockings might have been another century unknown, but, desirous of clinching his wise remark by another, he continued, as he looked at the narrow, fragile things, "Besides, these things could not by any possibility fit—fit—fit—" Here the great Burleigh stammered and could say no more upon so delicate a subject. Now Lord Leicester saw his opportunity, and advancing to his royal mistress, said, "Most gracious lady, deign to try." The queen with dignity then observed that "inasmuch as one noble gentleman saith the stockings would and the other would not fit, she was moved by curiosity to try them on withal," and turning to her own apartment directed the two noblemen to await her return. Her majesty was a little more than an hour struggling with the new stockings, during which time the two statesmen, who were at swords' points, walked up and down glaring at each other.

When the royal mistress did reappear it was with a face whose smiles plainly announced the triumph of vanity over prudence. "Gentlemen," said the queen, "the silken hose do fit me right well, and I like them very much, because they are pleasant, fine and delicate; and henceforth I will wear no more cloth stockings." This was not altogether cheerful news for Mrs. Montague, although she had reached the summit of her ambition, for silk stockings were not the affair of a few minutes, but the labor of weeks in those days. She had however, been teaching some young ladies the art, and by setting them all diligently to work, which they did night and day, the queen's orders were obeyed.

All this interesting gossip I gained from the good-tempered attendant I have before alluded to, who assured me it was strictly true in every particular.

A Salvation Army Parrot.

[Virginia City Enterprise.]

John Gillig's parrot has joined the Salvation army. The bird has its perch on a balcony fronting South C street, and when the Salvationists began singing in the street below, it struck in with them, singing most lustily. It caught the tune to perfection, but paid no attention to the words. The parrot was evidently powerfully wrought upon. It went without ceasing to the tune of the "Blood of the Lamb" for about an hour—long after the Salvation army had moved on—and was finally carried indoors still shrieking its salvation tune in a perfect frenzy of delight, much to the amusement of the throng of ungodly collected below. It got off through its nose a tearful twang that was excruciating.

A Model Town.

[Chicago Times.]

A company has been formed to establish a New England colony in the highlands of Florida at Belleview, in Marion county. It is desired to form a model town, which shall combine natural, social and religious advantages, with freedom from intemperance and pauperism. The deeds to lands will be given with the provisos that no intoxicating liquors shall be sold, and that no dwelling shall be built at an expense of less than $500. A school of twenty-five pupils is now in operation, a good hotel is now being built, and a church edifice and an academy are to follow.

A Vase Eleven Feet High.

[Chicago Herald.]

An English firm of potters has produced the largest vase in the world. It is of china, and its chief feature is a globe representing the world, which is supported on a pedestal and surrounded by a number of mythological figures. The color of the globe is a subdued green, and the figures are china bisque and other decorated and white glazed china. The vase is eleven feet high and six feet four inches in diameter. It cost $17,500.

Who Owns It?

Off the gulf coast of Texas is the Padre Island, containing 350,000 acres, and owned by no man knows whom. There are scores of claimants to the title, some of whom have already induced credulous Englishmen to sink $100,000 in ideal schemes of improvement.

German Colonies.

Prince Bismarck means to establish German colonies for emigrants to go to. He does not like to have so many come to America to be "absorbed" by the Anglo-Saxons.

TRANSPORTATION BY WIND.

Why the Pneumatic Tube System Does Not Materialize.

[Chicago Herald.]

Periodically the pneumatic scheme is brought to the surface by some enterprising newspaper. About a year ago a Cleveland journal declared such a tube would be in operation between that city and New York in a twelvemonth, and now a New York paper is authority for the statement that "a company is getting ready to build a pneumatic tube for carrying letters and small packages from Chicago to New York." According to this New York journal "the idea at first seems impracticable, but on examination it turns out to be feasible." As described the plant will consist of two brass tubes laid side by side, with a powerful engine and exhaust wheel at one end. And so on.

These pneumatic schemes are always interesting, and when written up with description and detail attract many close readers. But unfortunately the tubes are never placed upon more solid foundation than the columns of the newspapers. Everything looks so plausible and certain, so easy and nice, so sure to operate successfully and make much money that the failure of the scheme to materialize is at first disappointing and finally mystifying. Why there is so much talk and so little work is hard to understand, but the public is now in that state of mind concerning pneumatic tubes from Chicago to New York that the existence of one will be believed if, when laid, it run parallel with the railway and within plain view therefrom.

Capital seems to be exceedingly shy of such enterprises. Not lack of practicability but lack of cash holds the project in check. The feasibility of the pneumatic tube system of carriage was long since determined, and pneumatic carriers are already in use in Chicago and New York on a small scale, and in London and Paris on a much more pretentious plan. In the latter city a great number of letter-drops are connected with a pneumatic letter collector which traverses a good part of the town, conveying letters to the postoffice with promptness and dispatch. More than one engineer has prepared plans for a tube system from New York to Chicago, and there is but little doubt that a brief season of experiment would remove all difficulties in the way of mechanical success. Cost of plant and of operation, the likelihood of unforeseen difficulties arising, and the doubt of commercial success, however, have so far combined to prevent investment of the requisite large sums of money.

With railroads carrying mails from New York to Chicago in twenty-seven hours, and with telegraphic invention wonderfully increasing the capacity of the electric wire, it is a matter of serious doubt if there is really a demand for pneumatic transmission of messages and packages. There is, apparently, but one field open to the carrier tube, and that is in transportation of mails under the auspices of government.

Remarkable Luminous Shrub.

[Tuscarora, Nev., Times-Review.]

There is a most remarkable tree or shrub in a small gulch near some springs about twelve miles north of Tuscarora. It is about six or seven feet in height, with a trunk which, at its base, is three times the size of a man's wrist. It has innumerable branches and twigs, and resembles the barberry tree or bush indigenous to certain localities in the eastern states. But its only remarkable characteristic is its foliage, which at certain seasons of the year is so luminous that it can be plainly distinguished in the darkest night for a distance of more than a mile, while in its immediate vicinity it emits sufficient light to enable a person to read the finest print. Its foliage is extremely rank, and its leaves resemble somewhat, in size, shape and color, those of the aromatic bay tree of California.

The luminous property is evidently parasitic, and consists of a sort of gummy substance, which, upon being transferred by rubbing to a person's hand, imparts to it the same apparently phosphorescent light, while that on the leaf entirely disappears. The only reasonable explanation for this phenomenon that we can imagine is that the leaves possess some quality which either generates or attracts phosphoric matter. The Indians regard it with superstition, and will not approach it even in the daytime if they can possibly avoid it. They have a name for it which, literally interpreted, signifies "witch tree." An old Shoshone informed the writer that there were but two others in the entire country, but the closest questioning failed to elicit the slightest information in regard to the localities. He would only shake his head gravely and ejaculate, "bad medicine."

A Dearth of Beauty and Style.

[Amos Kneg's Leipsic Letter.]

At the fashionable races of Leipsic, where all the wealth, beauty and fashion of the city is supposed to show itself, one would naturally expect to see something original and striking. But there was nothing of the kind on exhibition. I did not see a really beautiful woman on the grounds. There were a good many there, to be sure, who would have looked much better had their toilets been more becoming. Rich dresses there were, but there was a total lack of that indescribable something or other which makes a French or an American woman look well, though her dress be not of the richest of material. And the gentlemen did not dress well, either. Their clothes did not fit them and seemed to have been made for some one else. So that if it had not been for the bright uniforms of the military officers, who were everywhere, the appearance of Leipsic's brave, fair and wealthy would have been decidedly ordinary and commonplace. Even the baron who sat on the chair behind me and honored me by borrowing my opera-glasses once in a while looked like a country member of the California legislature, as far as outward appearances went, though it is safe to say that he did not possess as much real "get-up-and-get" as the legislator.

The California Redwood.

[Chicago Herald.]

No wood has ever been discovered that combines so many advantages for all purposes as California redwood. It is easily worked; it may be used green just as it comes from the mill; it does not warp in drying nor shrink or swell by exposure to the weather; it burns slowly and when on fire is easily extinguished, because the wood contains no resin; it is brittle and breaks off squarely, so that in case of fire the firemen have no difficulty in cutting their way from house to house, and it does not rot at the ground like most other woods, and fence-posts which have stood for thirty years are as sound to-day, as when they were planted. The redwood grows only in California.

It is estimated that photographs cost the American people nearly $30,000,000 a year.

ACTORS' ILL OMENS.

The Superstitions Which Infest the Atmosphere of the Stage.

Unfortunate "Jonahs" Who Are Ostracised by the Profession—A Bareback Rider's Brief Career—Menken.

Strange, though true, is the fact that all parties entering the dramatic profession become more or less superstitious, and if there can be found a few exceptions it only proves the rule. The reason is plain, for the very air that surrounds them is infected with ill omens, and unconsciously the new convert finds himself making the sign of the cross at the approach of a cross-eyed person, or interpreting bad luck from the opening of an umbrella inside of a building. Prominent actors embrace the general schedule of superstitions, besides indulging in a few individual ones of their own. Managers, too, regard certain actors as "mascottes," and recognize that even a poor play, with the favored one in the cast, is sure to chronicle success. On the other hand, when a drama they deem invaluable fails to meet public approbation it is at once concluded there is a Jonah in the company, who forever after is ostracised by the profession, and his approach regarded as a signal of horror.

One of the first leading ladies of the country confessed that she had never combed her hair after dark without meeting disappointment, nor would she permit her room to be swept after sundown, as it carried away luck. "I am fond," said she, "of a rocking-chair, but if I use one, on rising I invariably stop its motions, for should another occupy it or it be stopped they would surely fall ill." Her husband, who is a popular low comedian, is frightfully superstitious over the breaking of a looking-glass, because his father died in an apoplectic fit and broke a mirror in the fall.

Many will refuse positively to transact business between 12 and 1 o'clock in the day, and few there are that would present an accepted lover with a pair of slippers, as the recipients are sure to walk away with the donor's affections. The loss of a garter, breaking of a shoestring, or button from a shoe, indicates the loss of a lover. The breaking of a needle while making a garment indicates that the owner will live to wear it out, while stumbling going up stairs damages their matrimonial prospects for a twelvemonth.

The experience of one of the finest lady bareback riders in the circus arena is as novel as pernicious. Beginning an engagement some years back, on the night of her first appearance the tent caught fire, whereupon she was immediately discharged. Another circus, knowing of her skill in her business, immediately gave her an engagement. On her first appearance with the combination a cyclone visited the region of the show, and swept away tents, elephants, and everything into the Mississippi river. The day after the disaster she was visited by the proprietor, who assured her she was Jonah, as nothing but good luck had been his experience until her arrival. Barnum secured her last for the season, but learning just before her appearance with his combination of her unfortunate career, sent for her, and paid her her full season's salary, but positively refused to have her make an appearance. This closed her circus career, although connoisseurs never disagreed that she was one of the finest female bareback riders in the world.

Any actor is happy to meet a humpbacked man early in the morning, as it propitiates good luck for an entire week. Should the actor have the temerity to lean on the hump, his success is assured for the entire season.

And not alone to the lesser lights in the profession does superstition play an important role. Edwin Booth will not even enter a theatre when the drop-curtain has a red border. McCullough, should he see the moon over his left shoulder on route to the theatre, will not appear without a change in the cast. Lawrence Barrett descends from the sublime to the ridiculous, and before wearing the robes of the cardinal or donning the hump for "Francesca da Rimini," invariably eats exactly the half of a pie, when he feels equal to any emergency.

Forrest would not employ or play in the cast with an actor who could not while talking to him look him in the face. God, he insisted, had marked him, and he was thankful for the warning. Any of the musts used in the tragedy of Macbeth even hummed in a dressing-room would cause him exquisite torture, and the perpetrator run risk of his life. This last superstition pervades all ranks of the stage, and ill luck is awaited with a certainty that admits of no doubt. It is companion omen to that of the yellow flageolet, which unnerves a whole orchestra and condemns its owner to dire punishment.

Brignoli, either in concert or opera, takes thoroughly in the whole audience on first entrance, and should he see a man blow his nose on a red handkerchief his music becomes discordant and he awaits ill fate with the patience of a martyr.

Adah Isaacs Menken, in the summer of 1868, having been ordered by her physicians from Paris to Bougeralni, in the south of France, reached that point in an exhausted condition. The furore she had aroused in London and Paris had burst into an all devouring flame at this point. On the opening night, when "Mazeppa" was cast, with Menken as the heroine, sickness prevented her appearance. Her managers, Dumaine and La Roche, seeing ruin staring them in the face, sent her a harsh message and substituted Miss Sarah Dawe for the second night's performance—it proved a dire failure. The managers visited Menken's apartments the following morning, August 10, 1868, and demanded of Menken's maid, Suzette Ellington, immediate audience with her mistress. "Certainly," she said; "you will find the object of your search in yonder room." On opening the door they discovered the lifeless remains of poor Adah Isaacs Menken, whose spirit had but an hour before ascended to the God who gave it. "Mazeppa" was immediately withdrawn from the playbills, and to this day never has been reproduced in this theatre, and the mention of it would be regarded as an evil omen.

Superstition more or less pervades all degrees of society, and the actor is not alone in his dread of ill omens or reading of bright futurity in talismanic numbers.

Buddhism in the Gymnasium.

[Rochester Post-Express.]

"Tell me, George," whispered a Livingston Park girl the other night, "are you a Buddhist?"

"I cannot tell a hatchet. Ever since I joined the Athletic association I have been getting up a good deal of Nerve—Anna."

They Argue.

[Burlington Free Press.]

"Do cats reason?" asks a writer in natural history. We don't know whether they reason or not, but for pure, unadulterated argumentation they take the cake.

Balzac: One should believe in marriage as in the immortality of the soul.

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10.15 PM	"	187	Lv....	Umatilla	Lv	"	1.25
11.00 PM	"	202		Pendleton		"	10.10
1.30 AM	"	230		Pendleton		"	8.00
1.45 PM	"	214	Ar.	Walula Junction		"	11.30 PM
2.00 PM	"	216		Walla Walla		"	9.56
4.00	"	235		Dayton		"	8.00
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	a.m.	a.m.	6.30	p.m.	p.m.
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IT is generally believed that the Dominion Parliament will meet on Thursday of the third week in January.

SIR HECTOR LANGERVIN, Minister of Public Works, met with an enthusiastic reception at Barrie, when laying a memorial stone in the new government buildings at that place.

THE disclosure by the *Standard*, London, of the government's redistribution plans caused a general sensation and led to a severe investigation as to the source of the *Standard's* information. It was learned that the secret was betrayed by a workman in the office of Spottiswoode & Co., the Queen's printers.

IT now appears that the Hon. Mr. Mercier, leader of the Quebec opposition, was a law student in the office of Hon. Mr. Chapleau. We may add that Hon. Mr. Mowat passed his time in the office of Sir John Macdonald, yet both these gentlemen have proved themselves at the Bar and in political life to be fully the match of their former patrons.

BRADSTREET'S report of the business failures in Canada for the past nine months show that the number is fewer and the amount of liabilities less than during the corresponding period of 1883. In the quarter that ended in September 30th, 1883, the failures were 329, with liabilities amounting to $5,039,514, and for 1884 they were 253, with $4,013,811 of indebtedness. In the United States, for the same period of 1883, the number was 2,062, with losses of $43,460,157, and for 1884 the number has risen to 2,858, with liabilities of $71,846,860. It is possible that the good crops in both countries, which are now being marketed, will have a favorable effect on the depression which at present exists.

THE London *Standard* publishes a draft of the government's proposed redistribution scheme. By it the representation of England in Parliament is increased 110 and Scotland ten, while Ireland's representation remains unchanged as to number, but Tralee, Clonmel, Dungarvan, Carlow, Athlone, Coleraine, New Ross, Ennis, Kinsale, Bandon, Youghall, Enniskillen, Mallow, Dungannon, Downpatrick and Portarlington are disfranchised. The county of Cork gains four members, Mayo, Down, Galway and Antrim gain two each; Donegal, Kerry, Tyrone and Tipperary gain one each, and the city of Dublin gains two. The publication of these facts showing the disfranchisement of cities, while there is no gains in total representation, creates a tremendous sensation.

IT is to be regretted that Colonel Stewart, the plucky companion of General Gordon should have met so tragical an end at the hands of the treacherous Arabs. He had been Gordon's right hand man during the long winter months they had held their savage enemies at bay, and his death is more to be regretted when it is considered that relief for the whole party was so close at hand. General Gordon's selection of Colonel Stewart as his companion on the perilous expedition was characteristic of the man. When Gordon was summoned to London to receive his instructions, he was asked at the Horse Guards who he wished to go with him. Gordon replied he didn't know, but he had once met a man at the Military Club whom he thought would do. Jumping into a cab he sought the stranger out, who was none other than the Colonel. Both were on their journey next day. In this selection Gordon showed his wonderful insight into human nature. Colonel Stewart was an Irishman.

THE foreign policy of the British Government would meet with a more general approval at home, and be more respected abroad, if it had a little more of the old time John Bull spirit. We do not mean that it should follow out the wild ideas and arrogant spirit of the Jingoes, but rather that it should hold its own with dignity, and maintain the prestige and power of the Empire, whether in dealing with dependencies or with foreign powers. This is well exemplified by recent events in South Africa, where the bold front shown by the Government has quickly cowed the Boers. Only a week or two ago they were almost at war with Britain, but when they learnt the firm stand that the Government took, and backed that up with warlike measures the turbulent Boers were convinced that discretion was the best part of valor, and quickly tendered an apology for their seemingly belligent attitude.

TRADE WITH CHINA AND JAPAN.

The approaching completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the mooted project of a steamship line to the Orient, has awakened considerable discussion among Eastern papers. Many of the Government journals heartily endorse the scheme, and draw flattering pictures of the large trade which will be drawn to the trans-continental Canadian road, and the benefits which will accrue to the country from it. The *Globe*, while wishing that the idea of diverting the current of the Chinese and Japanese trade to this route could be realized, fears that the cost of transferring goods at the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, and the injury liable to be received, together with the cost of carrying so far overland, will make it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to compete with the water route. The *Mail* sees a possibility of dividing the San Francisco trade, which has grown in a few years to such large proportions. The trade, it says, between China and Japan and San Francisco, amounted in value to $23,000,000 last year, exclusive of shipments of bullion. The imports from China embraced tea, silk, wood and cotton manufactures, manufactures of jute, opium, nut oil, spices, tobacco, raw hemp, coffee, rice and sugar, the total value being $9,207,800. The exports which comprised flour, cheese, canned goods, lumber, pork, fish, and many other articles which Canada should be able to supply as cheaply as the United States were valued at $4,240,000. The imports from Japan of a similar character were worth $9,185,000. Victoria, B. C., Puget Sound and Oregon also do a large direct business with the Orient. There is no reason why the Canadian Pacific should not obtain almost a monopoly of the whole of the trans-Pacific carrying trade, the route from Port Moody being three days shorter than that between San Francisco and Yokohama. It is quite possible, too, that the Canadian Pacific may get some share of the British trade with these countries. The route from Yokohama or Hong Kong to Liverpool via Moody, Winnipeg, and Montreal, will be at least twelve days shorter than via the Suez canal.

SIR JOHN MACDONALD.

While in New York, on his way to Europe, Sir John Macdonald was interviewed by a representative of the New York *Herald*. Of the Canadian premier the *Herald* says: "Sir John A. Macdonald, the able and clear-sighted Canadian premier, was interviewed in this city yesterday about the presidential election, and said: 'I do not apprehend that Canadian interests will suffer whichever party may be successful.' This is his brief estimate of the genuineness of the pretense of Mr. Blaine and his associates that the main issue in the election is not honest administration generally, but is the tariff. He had noticed since his arrival in New York several paragraphs in the newspapers in reference to the starvation of the people in Labrador, and he desired to express his opinion that the distress was considerably exaggerated. He said—'I know all the gentlemen connected with the government, and feel sure that they would not allow their countrymen in Labrador to starve through neglect on their part. The failure of the fisheries naturally entails some suffering. There will be no difficulty whatever in obtaining vessels to carry provisions to the sufferers at this season of the year.' In answer to the question if he was still satisfied with protection in Canada, Sir John said: 'Yes; it has worked well for us. We have had five years of it, and we are satisfied it has greatly promoted our prosperity. Our young men before we adopted a protective policy were leaving us to come to the United States. We had nothing to offer them but agriculture and the village blacksmith and kindred trades. If the young men had any enterprise, any mechanical talent, any disposition for manufactures, they went to the United States with those facilities and generally prospered. Now, our infant industries have been fostered and have grown to be an important factor in our national life. The manufacture of cotton goods has been a little overdone, but that is the only exception. English people tell us that we are very poor political economists. We admit it, but we say in answer that it suits us. We are only four and a half millions of people, but we are prosperous.

THERE is no man but that has foes as well as friends. The "grand old man eloquent" is no exception to this rule, for while he has many fervent admirers, he has some rabid detractors as well. But it is rarely that the wish which is supposed to animate one Tory minds is so nakedly expressed as in the following sentence which concludes an article in the *St. James's Gazette* on Mr. Gladstone's versatility: "We have said enough, and may very well end with a prayer that the Lord will soon deliver this afflicted kingdom from its brilliant amateur."

THE result of the polling on the Scott Act on Oct. 9th, in Stanstead Co., Quebec, shows a great change of feeling in regard to the Act in that county at least. In the year 1880 a vote was taken on the Act in the same county and a majority of 180 was recorded against it. Last week the temperance people succeeded in carrying it by a majority of nearly 300.

A LIBERAL demonstration was held at St. Martine, Chateaugay county, near Montreal a few days since, in honor of Mr. Mercier, leader of the Quebec Opposition, and Hon. Mr. Blake and Hon. Mr. Mowat. A dinner took place in the evening, which was well attended, and excellent speeches were made by the three distinguished guests.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

"Bystander" in *The Week*, commenting on the navy says: Journals must live, and amidst the crowd of competitors it is difficult for them to live without creating an occasional sensation. This may be partly the account of the panic articles about the state of the British navy published by the *Pall Mall Gazette*, which is just now making a spirited effort to push itself into the front place. Perhaps if a French, Russian, or Italian journal equally enterprising were in the same crisis of its existence, we might have a similar jeremiad over the French, Russian, or Italian navy. Invention is now so rapid that the navy of yesterday is to-day out of date; but England has probably better means of bringing herself up to the mark on short notice than any one of her rivals. Still the question is evidently serious, and most serious for Canada, which with a large mercantile marine is wholly dependent on the British navy for protection. In the discussion set on foot by the disclosures in the British press it appears to be distinctly admitted even by those who give way least to alarm, that England, while she would be clearly superior in force to any one other naval power, would have difficulty in coping with two. It is also taken as certain that the ocean would, upon the outbreak of war, at once swarm with the enemy's cruisers. England can hardly be said to have been engaged in a great naval war since Trafalgar; for in the Crimean war the Russian navy was from the outset shut up in port by the combined fleets of the Allies. We have, therefore, yet to learn what difference the new invention and a warfare unknown to Nelson would make to the British sailor in an encounter with his old enemies. It can hardly be hoped that the difference would be in his favor.

VERY LATEST NEWS

Special Despatches to The Victoria Daily Times.

Latest from Yale.

Press Dispatch.

YALE, B.C., Oct. 18, 1884.

Messrs. Greer and Gordon, of the Hamilton Powder Co., are in Yale. Both gentlemen proceed to Kamloops to-morrow. Mr. Theodore Davie is attending the assizes at Lytton. Weather, raining.

UNITED STATES.

A RAILWAY TRAIN JUMPS A BRIDGE.

BATAVIA, Ohio, Oct. 18.—The middle span of the bridge across the East Fork river on the Cincinnati Eastern Narrow Guage railway gave way as the Manchester express was passing over it last night. The bridge is fifty feet above the water. The engine and her baggage car and first coach were hurled into the water. The rear car remained on the sound portion of the bridge. There were 45 persons on the train. Many had miraculous escapes, several leaping into the stream below. The engineer and fireman were killed and many fatally wounded.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC.

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The project of the Northern Pacific, looking to the Oregon Navigation, has not, according to the best information, been relinquished, but only deferred. It continues to be discussed. The Navigation Company demands 8 per cent. guaranty after five years, but the Northern Pacific objects to paying so much. There will probably be a compromise. For two years the guaranty will no doubt be 6 per cent., for three years 7 per cent., and afterward the dividend will be in proportion to the net earnings. The general impression is that the Northern Pacific requires the lease for its best interests, which will not be served merely by building the Cascade branch from Ainsworth to Tacoma, on the Puget Sound, for then it will not have secured Portland. The Union Pacific would be very glad to secure the lease of the Oregon Navigation, and has offered better terms than the Northern, but there appears no doubt of the lease to the Northern, as it will be to the advantage of both corporations. Some of the Navigation stockholders are adverse to a lease to either of the Pacific roads, being convinced that their interests will be best secured by remaining independent of both.

BLAINE'S MOVEMENTS IN MICHIGAN.

JACKSON, Mich., Oct., 18.—Mr. Blaine left for Detroit this morning. This is the last day of his tour in Michigan. He will spend Sunday at South Bend, Ind. His first stop this morning was at Ann Arbor, where there was a very large crowd around the depot. The students from the University appeared to have taken possession of the place. When Blaine appeared on the platform the cheering and yelling was terrific and long continued. They seemed likely to occupy the whole time that the train would remain at Ann Arbor. All attempts of the local committee to get a hearing were utter failures, and when Blaine stretched out his hands, indicating that he was about to speak, the noise ceased. He began his speech by saying: "During the war we used to hear a great deal about the rebel yell, which was supposed to imply great vigor and determination, but it seems to me that the young men who do me the honor to appear here to-day, could have terrified the whole army of Lee."

FIRE IN AUGUSTA.

AUGUSTA, Maine, Oct. 18.—Twelve stores in Edgfield were burned this morning at 4 o'clock. Last year, at the same time, a conflagration occurred in the same part of the town. The loss is one hundred thousand dollars. Very little insurance.

THE BANK STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—The weekly bank statement shows a reserve decrease of $447,000. The banks now hold $31,675,000 in excess of legal requirements.

WHEAT STILL FALLING.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—Wheat is excited; weak and down. The closing prices were the lowest ever known on the Chicago Board of Trade.

AN APPOINTMENT.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—The president appointed Stephen F. Wilson, of Pennsylvania, to be Associated Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico.

CANADIAN DISPATCHES.

LOUIS REIL SHOT.

The Red River Rebel at Last Meets His Death.

Exclusive to THE VICTORIA TIMES.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 18.

A report has just reached the city that Louis Reil, the leader of the Red River rebellion was shot on Thursday near Prince Albert, N. W. T. Few will regret the end he so justly deserved. The cruel death of poor Scott has at last been revenged. Reil in his day was a tyrant of the worst form.

MASSACREED.

Major Crozier of the Mounted Police Massacreed.

Special dispatch to THE TIMES.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 18.—News of the death of Major Crozier, of the Mounted Police, has reached the city and creates great excitement. The daily papers containing the account of the massacree are in great demand. Fuller particulars are hourly expected. It is feared that an uprising of Indians and half-breeds will take place in the disaffected districts of the Territories. It is now difficult to foretell what may be the result of the unlooked for events of the past few hours. The most stringent measures will be adopted immediately to enforce the majesty of the law, at all hazards. Startling developments may now be expected.

CABLEGRAMS.

DEATH OF A ROYAL DUKE.

BERLIN, Oct. 19.—Wilhelm, first Duke of Brunswick, died this morning.

PANIC STRICKEN AND DIES.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—A melancholy accident connected with the outbreak of the fire on board the steamer Nevada has occurred. One of the steerage passengers, an Irish woman, was so thouroughly panic stricken that she died of fright.

AFRICAN DESERTERS.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 19.—West African advices state that De Lesie left St. Paul, De Loura, some time ago with provisions for the De Brassos station on Stanby Pool. After he started the baggage carriers deserted him, but he succeeded in reaching Manango. In Congo he will organize a French expedition.

BURIAL IN DUBLIN.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—The remains of Alex. Sullivan, who died in Dublin yesterday, will be interred in Glasnevin cemetery, near Dublin, on Monday.

CHOLERA IN ITALY.

ROME, Oct. 18.—In Italy during the past 24 hours there have been 166 fresh cases of cholera and 102 deaths.

George Rudge's Rooster.

The Seattle Port-Intelligencer of this morning says: Fred. Harmon, the well known fast but unreliable foot racer, has engaged to run against a young fellow from Corvallis at Portland on Sunday next for $1000 a side. Quite a number of sporting men from Victoria went over to Oregon yesterday to witness the race. One of the parties, George Rudge, brought a game rooster over, and has arranged for a cock fight at Tacoma on his return for Portland on Monday, the stakes being $50 a side. Rudge's rooster is a fine bird, thoroughly game, and weighs over nine pounds bare-footed.

The Pilots For the Nile.

Four of the pilots required for the Nile expedition have been examined and passed by the marine department, and sailed for Egypt. Their names are James Augustus McIver, of Prescott, John Archibald Williamson, of Greenville, Thomas Anson Cummings, of Grenville, and William Morgan Jones, of Ottawa. Their pay will be $150 per month. Captain Robinson, manager of the Northwest Transportation Company, and three others accustomed to the management of stern-wheel steamers were daily expected from Winnipeg.

There is too much impromptu statesmanship, touch-and-go legislation, half-baked sermonizing, happy-go-lucky financiering, and hap-hazard "enterprise" in this country.

The martyrs to vice far exceed the martyrs to virtue, both in endurance and virtue; so blinded are we by our passions that we suffer more to be damned than to be saved.

Do you think of one falsity as harmless and another as slight, and another as unintended? Cast them all aside; they may be slight and accidental, but they are ugly soot from the smoke of the pit for all that.

Convenient for References.

The B. C. Directory (1884-5) is at present in progress of publication by R. T. Williams, who will spare neither expense nor labor to make it complete in every respect. All subscribers' names will appear in large type. Mr. Williams is the authorized canvasser for the Province.

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Booksellers and Stationers.

NEW TO-DAY.

Notice to Builders.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE undersigned up to noon Tuesday, 28th October, for the erection and completion of a Villa Residence at Hillside, for J. A. Graham, Esq.

The accepted Contractor must furnish security in the full amount of contract for the due performance of the works comprised in the contract in the bond of himself and two sureties to be approved of.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JOHN TEAGUE,
oct 18-9t Architect, Government St.

THE CIRCULATION QUESTION TO ADVERTISERS.

The matter of newspaper circulation concerns you. The greater the circulation of the newspaper in which you advertise, the greater the return for the money invested in advertising.

THE TIMES submits the following proposition for acceptance or rejection by the Standard, relative to the question of circulation.

1st. The TIMES and Standard each to nominate a prominent advertiser, these to nominate a third. The committee then to examine into the circulation of both THE TIMES and Standard.

2nd. THE TIMES to deposit the sum of $100 in the hands of the referee, and to be by him handed over to the city charities, to be indicated by the winner, if its circulation is not already larger than that of the Standard.

3rd. The Standard to deposit an equal amount, and to be similarly applied, if its circulation is not as large as that of THE TIMES.

4th. The same amount and conditions that the average weekly circulation of THE TIMES (daily and weekly) exceeds that of the Standard and Post.

5th. THE TIMES to forfeit the amount if on investigation it is not found that its advertising patronage for the last four months does not exceed that of the Standard. If this is established the Standard then to forfeit the sum already named.

6th. The circulation of the three newspapers named to be published in each of the papers under the editorial head, on the day following that on which the committee reports.

The foregoing are fair proposals and the Standard must now "put up or shut up."

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W. G. LUKER.

Dated 13th Sept., 1884.
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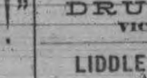

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The Daily Times.

PUBLISHED EVERY AFTERNOON EXCEPT SUNDAY.

Victoria, Saturday, October 15, 1884.

Arrival and Departure of Steamers.

FOR PORT TOWNSEND and all points on the Sound—Geo. E. Starr and North Pacific leave alternate mornings at 4:45 o'clock, making close connection with the N. P. R. R. at Tacoma.

FOR SEATTLE, via Port Townsend—The Ellen Adderson leaves every Sunday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 7 a. m.

FOR NANAIMO—The Enterprise leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning on the alternate days.

FOR NANAIMO—The Amelia sails every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Morning at 7 o'clock.

FOR BURRARD INLET—The Steam Schooner Grace leaves Turner & Co.'s wharf every Monday evening at 5 o'clock.

FOR NEW WESTMINSTER—The Princess Louise leaves Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 a. m.

NEW WESTMINSTER ROUTE—Steamer Idaho will leave Tacoma every Sunday at noon, Seattle at midnight, Port Townsend at 8 a. m. Monday, arrive at New Westminster noon Tuesday.

Leave New Westminster 8 a. m. Wednesday, arrive at Tacoma Thursday p. m.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Two drunks appeared to-day and were fined the usual amount.

—A party of workmen left this morning for Clover Point to bury this end of the straits cable.

—Actors sometimes complain of bad business. Do they think the public never complains of bad acting?

—Tenders are called for by Mr. John Teague, for the erection of a villa residence for Mr. Graham.

—The charge brought by Dall for taking some oats which were the property of the Transfer Co., was postponed.

—The Blue Ribbon Club will give one of their regular weekly entertainments at the hall on Pandora street this evening.

—Mr. William Dalby received a telegram to-day that his brother Robert, in Elora, Ont., is dangerously ill.

—Mrs Jno. Boultbee and family left Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, for Tacoma, Washington Territory, where they will join Mr. Boultbee.

—A number of wooden buoys are being made on one of the old barges near the Custom House, which will be placed in the harbor at Nanaimo.

—It is reported that an injunction will be applied for to prevent the sale of New Westminster lots which the council of that city has advertised.

—The Seattle police raided the opium dens on Thursday night last, and captured 32 Chinamen and the smoking outfits. The latter will be confiscated.

—The contract for completing the brick work of the Goon Gan building on Cormorant street has been awarded to Mr. J. D. Ross. Work will be commenced next week.

—Mr. Skeene Lowe, of Winnipeg, was amongst the arrivals yesterday. In a few days he opens a photograph gallery over the Victoria House on Government street in this city.

—The steamer North Pacific to-day brought five or six car loads of bonded goods. She was several hours late, owing to her having been detained in leaving Tacoma last night.

—The French bark Sumroo, now at Esquimalt, having been surveyed, it has been deemed advisable to discharge her cargo between decks and undergo repairs.

—Miss Adelaide Dalby, of Elora, Ont., niece of Mr. William Dalby, of this city, was married last week at her father's residence to Mr. R. J. Graham, G. T. R. agent at Ripley, county of Bruce.

—A movement is on foot to close the stores on Tuesday for a part of the day to give the employees an opportunity to witness the sham naval engagement which is announced to take place.

—The following passengers arrived to-day by the North Pacific:—G Wilcox, F McPhadden, W Walker, J Meston, M Procker, D McAlpine, E Robertson, J A Anderson, O Fox, D Ross, 5 Chinese, 3 Indians.

—A settler, who has resided on a claim on Baynes Sound for seventeen years, and cannot get a title from the Government, gives notice of an appeal to the Supreme Court to get his just rights.

—Mr. Bole, of New Westminster, acting for parties in Port Moody, is applying for an injunction restraining the city from selling lots wherewith to subsidize the C. P. R. to connect with the Royal City.

—In the case of McKillican & Anderson vs. Revely yesterday in Supreme Court, judgment was given for the plaintiffs on a previous verdict for $2,372, and to the defendant on a counter claim judgment for $100.

—Should the weather prove favorable it is probable that several thousand people will assemble at Beacon Hill on Tuesday next to witness the sham fight. The fleet will look very fine manœuvering in the straits from the Hill.

—The outside work on the brick buildings on Yates, Johnson and Government streets is nearly completed. The brick work on the Union Club building is also being pushed rapidly. When completed these buildings will add much to the appearance of the city.

—Yesterday afternoon, while it was apparently as clear as one could wish, the barometer commenced falling, which indicated a change in the weather. This morning a decided change was perceptible, and it is probable rain will shortly make its appearance.

—Mr. Paul Strahl is manufacturing a combination spring bed and mattrass which ought to have a large sale among our young men who keep "bach." It is a model of comfort, is sold at the low price of $4.50, and can be seen at Mr. Strahl's warerooms, 213 Fort street.

—The U. S. C. & G. steamer Hassler arrived in Esquimalt harbor last evening. The U. S. Consul received a note from Commander Snow, U. S. N., inquiring when he would be pleased to leave. It is understood the Consul will start for a brief trip on Monday at 10 a.m.

—Mr. Thos. Simpson, says the Guelph Mercury, has purchased Mr. Geo. Lee's property of fifteen acres adjoining Mr. Sandlands farm for $1450. Similarly situated property in this city would be worth at least $500 per acre. Guelph is a much larger city than Victoria. There is abundance of excellent farming land in that district which accounts for the apparent discrepancy in values.

—Among the ninety-one Chinese arriving here on the Queen of the Pacific yesterday, were a large number of women. They were brought to Victoria to be placed in dens of prostitution, and thus swell the already large list of that degrading class in Chinatown. It is a serious matter, and that there is no rigid law to prevent the importation of this class of humanity is to be sincerely regretted.

—The steamer Amelia to-day brought the following passenger from Nanaimo:—Shaw, Hewis, G Field, Rosenheim, Pearse, A Pimbury, Capt. Pearse, E. Pimbury, Miss McConnell, F C Milburn, Mrs. Campbell, P Pimbury, Mrs Camp, J C Valpy, Mrs Drinkwater, J Flett, Wallace, and many others.

Wealth is like a bird; it hops all day from man to man, as that doth from tree to tree, and none can say where it will roost at night.

FROM THE MOUNTAINS.

Communication Between East and West Now Established.

PROGRESS ON THE C. P. R. R.

Mr. William Winters, ex-Mayor of Brandon, Manitoba, accompanied by Mr. J. S. Stansbury, of Colorado, arrived in this city on Thursday from the mountains. These gentlemen have been contractors on the C. P. R., and have been steadily at work since last April until they completed their work. Their contract was at the Summit. They report the work of construction as being prosecuted with great vigor and rapidity. The grading was fully completed as far as the Columbia some weeks since, while on this side of that stream the work was so well advanced that ere track laying is stopped this fall the locomotive will be running as far as Beaver Creek in the Selkirk range, by the present time they are confident

THE LINE IS OPENED

As far as Golden City at the crossing of the Columbia, where the stream is to be spanned by a temporary bridge to be afterwards replaced by a substantial iron bridge. Some of the grades near the summit are very heavy, being as much as 4 7-10 to the 100 feet. This is the portion that Mr. Schrieber, the government engineer, condemned. The route must be changed to a higher level, otherwise there always will be more or less danger

TO TRAINS BREAKING LOOSE

And portions running away. An accident of this kind occurred at this point a short time ago by a train getting beyond the control of those in charge of it. The descent was made at a terrific rate; the men working on it were thrown in every direction, one man being killed and a large number injured. The wounded were dressed to the best ability of those in the locality pending the arrival of Drs. Maclure and Wood from Tunnel city. After striking the Columbia river the line follows the east bank down the stream for a distance of 25 miles before

REACHING GOLDEN CITY,

Then after crossing it follows the course of the stream on the opposite shore for 15 miles, till Beaver Creek is struck; thence it follows that creek and the Illicilliwaut till the first crossing of the Columbia is reached at Columbia City, where it enters the Eagle Pass. Between the summit and Golden City the work has been very heavy. In the Selkirk Range, with one or two exceptions, the work will be light. Construction will be carried on throughout the winter in the mountains. In fact, operators will not cease now until the entire line is completed to the Pacific terminus. This fall will see the grading pushed as far as Bear Creek, and the Selkirk Range pierced for a considerable distance.

IN EAGLE PASS

there will be some heavy rock work; thence to Kamloops it will be light, but from Kamloops to Savona's Ferry there is considerable heavy work, much of which, however, has already been completed by Mr. Onderdonk, who has his entire contract pretty well advanced,

THE TIMBER GROWTH

between the two Columbias is described by these gentlemen as being immense, far surpassing anything they have ever seen elsewhere. That it is very valuable as from this section much of the timber required in the Northwest must come. Mills are already being erected, and claims are being staked out and taken up. A large traffic will be given to the railway from this source alone. It is a dense forrest through which the railway line runs for many miles.

MINING PROSPECTORS

Are to be met with in every direction. Many of them have samples that look well, but nothing definite can be known until they are assayed. No great strikes were discovered this season, although the belief is expressed that next year valuable areas will be discovered yielding excellent pay. Supplies can then be secured at reasonable rates. Messrs. Winters and Stansbury express a favorable opinion of the entire country and feel confident that in a few years there will be a large population in the upper country.

STRONG DISSATISFACTION

Prevailed with the contractor's mode of paying the employees on the eastern division. By some it is supposed that their pay was kept back in order to keep the men from leaving the work. In several instances no settlements were made since early in June last. It is a serious inconvience to the employees in many instances. They heard of no complaints from the Onderdonk men.

BAD WHISKEY $1 PER GALLON.

They met several pack trains going east from this side with supplies. In one of these trains they were assured there were no less than 1000 gallons of whiskey. After it had been diluted part for part, $20 per gallon was readily paid for the eye opener by the railway men, who appeared to relish even its very smell immensely.

The journey to this city from the end of the track on the east was accomplished without any difficulty by the gentlemen named, who report many more en route to this coast.

In August Next.

A prominent member of the Canadian Pacific Railway Syndicate, writing to a friend in this city from Montreal, after making a tour of inspection of the road, says that the company has received a good deal of information on the matter of the steamships for the Pacific, and that already offers have been received from influential quarters for co-operation and that no doubt satisfactory arrangements can be made to have a fine line put on the route so soon as the road is completed. The writer does not place much faith in a gentleman who recently visited this city, a Mr. Hudson, as to his schemes being at all practical. It likewise appears that he has been coqueting with a rival road for a line of steamships in the Pacific trade. He concludes by saying that unless some unlooked-for impediment is encountered, we shall be running through from Montreal to the Pacific by August next.

MARINE NOTES.

The Schooner Black Diamond arrived last night from Nanaimo with a cargo of coal.

The schooner Grace arrived from Burrard Inlet with a cargo of timber for Messrs. Smith & Clark, which is being discharged at their yard.

The steamer Boscowitz sails for the North this evening, taking considerable freight of a miscellaneous character, also a number of Indian passengers.

The bark Wildwood will commence discharging her cargo of Chinese merchandise Monday. After her cargo is all out she will proceed to Tacoma, where she has been chartered by Hanson & Co. to take a load of lumber and spars to Hongkong.

A Holiday.

It is understood that several of the merchants in this city have expressed a desire that next Tuesday should be observed as a public holiday, and that their places of business will be closed for business for part of the day at least.

MRS. LANGTRY EAGER TO WED.

Freddie Gebhardt Arranging by Cable for the Necessary Divorce.

New York, Oct. 12.—The often rumored Langtry Gebhardt marriage, it is said, is likely to take some definite shape when the Jersey beauty returns to this country. Before another year is over Mrs. Langtry will be Mrs. Gebhardt. The two parties most interested have been, within the last week or ten days, sending each other cable dispatches of fifty, 100 and even 200 words at a time. Gebhardt has been the most active in this expensive style of epistolary communication. Private letters from England have recently been received in this city which in large part explain the peculiar condition of affairs which prevents the immediate realization of the hopes of the fair English woman. The point of effective force is Mr. Langtry. He parted from his wife some three years ago or more, and since that time has gone his way unimpeded and so has she. Mrs. Langtry has had no communication with him whatever. Last year, through a friend, he was approached on the subject of divorce, as she did not dare to make the proposition directly. Langtry said very coolly, "Certainly; let there be a divorce, but I must be the plaintiff." It was explained to him that this would be next to impossible to accomplish, as his wife would never consent to act in the position of defendant in such a suit, for she would have to bear all the odium. "Then let her remain married till my death," said Mr. Langtry and he added, "I am a pretty healthy man."

Latterly, however, Mr. Langtry has come to believe that perhaps they might better be separated. A friend of hers has been working the matter up in her behalf. When the friend said that he ought to consent to a divorce being got against him, in place of against her, Langtry said he was not averse to it. He would not oppose any action she should bring if it was done decently. The only question in his mind was where the suit should be brought. He understood in some American States there were several reasons for divorce and perhaps it would be better to bring the action there and he would not appear.

This it would, is the cause of the sudden cable correspondence between Mrs. Langtry and Gebhardt. He is getting the information necessary in the matter and is furnishing it by cable, so as to save delay. It is not unlikely that they will, after all, appeal to the law of England, where actually the divorce laws are easier than here. The new French law has been discussed and the law of Holland, too, of which country Mrs. Langtry is a resident, but even there it would need that the wife go and remain some time if she would be the one to bring the suit. Thus, they are in a sore perplexity and even now Langtry's consent has been obtained they seem to be as far from the goal as ever. The reason for Langtry's consent is said to be that he, too, is desirous of marrying again.

Pulpit Announcements.

The pulpits of this city are no exception to those of other cities in the matter of special announcements, which frequently are very annoying to those who are regular attendants in God's house of worship. Many of the announcements made are entirely outside of church work proper and should be announced through the correct medium, the newspaper. In the east a hostile movement is springing up against this practice. The Rev. Dr. Cochrane, of Brantford, on making the usual announcement from the pulpit on a recent occasion stated that if he were to read all the notices and invitations handed to him to be published, the congregation would need about fourteen days in the week, instead of seven, to attend to all these demands made upon their time. Some of these notices he did not believe in, but these were others which were consistent with the work of the church. Still he thought that all announcements outside of the special business of the church should be made public through the advertising columns of the press, and be paid for, as other advertisements are, and should not be made from the pulpit, as the sacred desk could hardly be considered a fitting and appropriate place from which to issue advertisements.

PARTING.

When I press those lips to mine
And feel the beating of thy heart,
My life is broken with the thought
That we should only meet as past.

How cruel to chain me with thy love
Which binds me to this spell of bliss,
Could I but take thy soul with me
In one convulsive, throbbing kiss.

For it would light my path thro' day
And be a box on in the night,
To watch and guard my fitful steps
And bless the spot where I alight.

But as I linger in thy smile
And drink the beauty of thy eyes,
The stab of parting rends my heart
And all my words are spoken sighs.

And when I say my fond farewell
And I no longer will be here,
The pledge of my return will be
The memory of this falling tear.

Yet tho' we part to meet again,
My soul will ever cling to thine,
And tho' our lips will say adieu
Our hearts in silence will entwine.

J. G. A.

Ranching in the Northwest.

The importance of the live stock interest in the district of Alberta, may be learned from the statement of the Calgary Herald that during the present summer over 12,000 sheep have been driven into Alberta from Montana, one company alone bringing in a flock of 8,000 head, and several companies and private individuals intend going into the industry next season, when it is expected that the drive will far exceed that of this year. The number of horses in Alberta is estimated at over 6000 head, valued at $400,000. The leading ranchmen are doing much to improve the breed. They have imported a number of first-class sires from the old country, including Percherons, Clydesdales, Thoroughbreds and Steeple-chasers. At the close of last season the number of cattle in the district aggregated about 37,000 head, valued at $1,875,000. Since then about 12,000 head have been driven in from Montana by the different stockmen. Range cattle are neither sheltered nor in any way cared for during the winter.

The Graving Dock.

The usual amount of lobbying has been going on at Ottawa for some time over the awarding of the contract for the completion of the Esquimalt graving dock. An announcement has been made that Messrs. Starrs & O'Hanly are the successful persons. They had not, up to the 8th, received any official notification of the acceptance of their tender, although it was known that the contract had been awarded to them.

Civil Servants' Sick Leave.

The Secretary of State has addressed a circular to all the departments stating that in future civil servants requiring leave of absence on the ground of ill-health, must obtain a certificate from the Medical Examiner under the Civil Service Act.

Who Can Beat It?

This morning we were shown a panful of potatoes grown in a field belonging to Mr. B. F. Dillon, of the St. Nicholas Hotel, in James Bay. They were the product of a single hill and from one cutting. The net weight of the lot was a trifle over seventeen pounds. Next?

THE STRAITS CABLE

Successfully Landed at Clover Point Last Evening.

The Government steamer Sir James Douglas and the barge Electron arrived in the harbor about 7 o'clock last evening, having entirely completed the laying of the straits cable. Although several days more have been occupied in laying it than was at first anticipated, yet it has been accomplished thoroughly and in a most creditable manner. The Superintendent of the Dominion Telegraphic service, Mr. F. N. Gisborne, is deserving of much credit for the manner in which he has conducted the enterprise, displaying great prudence and good judgment throughout. They made the north shore landing about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, there being just enough cable on the reel to conveniently

REACH OVER THE ROCKS.

The cable, as it now lays, is seventeen knots long, it being sixteen and a half knots from shore to shore, while the remaining one-half knot is used in carrying it over the spit on the Washington Territory side and making the landing. Capt. Devereux remarked this morning that the distance across the Straits of Fuca is greater than is generally supposed, the charts not being very accurate. There have been two surveys made, one between 25 and 30 years ago, and the other in 1868. The United States Government, he states, is now engaged in making a careful survey, but up to the present time.

IT HAS NEVER BEEN EXACT.

There is considerable difference in the distance of the two surveys mentioned above. On this side, however, the chart is correct. The cable is of the latest pattern and much stronger and better than that previously used. The entire cable is laid in a direct course, notwithstanding the strong currents which were necessarily encountered, which fact is highly creditable to Capt. Devereux, of the Sir James Douglas, who, of course, navigated the steamer during the laying process. There is about one mile of shore wire to be erected, after which the new line will be ready for service. Business to and from the south can be done more cheaply, and in a more direct way, to say nothing of the fact that there will be more certainty of the message reaching its destination without delay.

Passed From Earth.

Last evening, at 5 o'clock, Mr. Victor E. Robinson, who has been ill at his residence, James Bay, for some days past, breathed his last. Mr. Robinson was well and favorably known in Victoria, having resided here for some years, and for a long time was foreman in the Standard office, a position which he filled with credit to himself and acceptance to his employers. Having attained the age of only 31 years, his early death cannot but be more deeply regretted, and his widow and children, upon whom he bestowed the tenderest love and care, have the deepest sympathy of their large circle of friends and acquaintances. Mr. Robinson was born near Holly Hall, Staffordshire, England, and his closest relations at present reside at Worcestershire, England, although he is related to Mrs. Ryder and family, who live at Chilliwhack. The deceased was a member of Vancouver-Quadra Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and the funeral will, therefore, be conducted under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity of this city.

Theater Royal.

On Monday evening next the Theatre Royal Company, under the management of Mr. Geo. T. Snow, will open in the above theatre. They will open with "No Thoroughfare," a piece seldom put on the stage, owing to the great difficulty in obtaining actors adapted to the peculiar and trying parts. On one occasion Mr. Snow presented this play in San Francisco, and was highly complimented by the press of that city. He has spared no expense or pains to give it successfully in Victoria, a fact which should be appreciated by all theatre-going people. In order to make the season at all profitable, the troupe will have to be well patronized, a fact which they well deserve and should receive.

The Hanlan-Beach Race.

Further particulars of this famous race are to hand. The Toronto Globe's sporting editor on the race remarks that in spite of all that is told above, there is still something inexplicable in the whole affair to those who know Hanlan. It is very easy to recognize signs of fatigue after the race is over, but it looks as though Hanlan showed nothing that passed for signs of exhaustion till the race had reached such a stage that no more money could be placed on its result. The race may have been a square and honest one, but if Australians think so, and think that the above accounts are true and faithful ones, why are they still willing to bet long odds on Hanlan for the next race?

Consignees by the North Pacific.

A Gilmore, A McLean, A Olser, A Cowan, A B Fraser, A B Gray & Co, Burns & Co, S Morton, C Stimiss & Co, Craft & Co, D W Higgins, E B Marvin, Hutcheson Young & Co, H Mansell, H G Walker, H Short, H Saunders, John Parker, J H Todd, J B Ferguson, J Abrams, John Stewart, J Crawford, J Sehl, Langley & Co, L Lewis, M W Watt & Co, M R & Tye, McQuade & Co M H Tilton, M B Atkinson, Moore & Co, Mrs D Gibbs, M & A Fox, R Carr, R H Tyler, R Nair, F W Fletcher; Turner B & Co, T Eagle, T Dunn, W J Wood, W Wilson, W S Cameron, Welch Rithet & Co, W G Norris.

He Killed the Calf.

A strange case was heard in police court to-day. Complaint was made against a boy named Sol. Harrison for shooting a calf which was the property of Mr. William Turgoose, of South Saanich. The head and feet of the animal were produced in court and identified by witnesses for the prosecution. After part of the evidence had been taken the case was adjourned till Wednesday, bail being accepted for the prisoner's appearance. Mr. Pollard appeared for the defence. Mr. Harrison, father of the boy, claims that the calf was his and that he ordered the boy to shoot it.

Death of a Bank Manager.

Mr. W. D. Chambers, general manager of the branch of the Bank of British North America, in Canada, died at Ottawa on Wednesday, the 8th of October. He was a man of very careful business habits, and of marked ability. One of his brothers is manager of the Provincial Bank of Ireland, and another brother is the manager of a large bank in Australia.

From Seattle.

The steamer Eliza Anderson arrived at noon to-day from Seattle and Port Townsend, bringing the following passengers: M Eisbert, Wright, Bane, Ellis, Mitchell, McNeil, Vola, Evans, Laura Copeland, Cluney, Miss Evans, Morgan, Miss Ida Edwards, Beross, and 20 Indians.

Mr. John Hall will leave on Monday for New York where he will take passage by the steamer Servia for Liverpool. Mr. Hall has not yet decided to return to this city, but should he decide to do so, will return in about two months.

NEWS NOTES.

Silver has been struck in Georgia which assays $2,000 a ton.

The total strength of the British army in Egypt on Sept. 22 was 13,550.

Toronto is discussing the relative advantages of block and asphalt pavements.

The Windsor Hotel at Kingston, Ont., which was recently burnt down, will be rebuilt at a cost of $30,000.

The famous Calumet and Hecla companies at Hancock, Mich., caught fire, but were not seriously damaged.

The Hudson Bay Company is the largest taxpayer in Winnipeg, contributing over $10,000 to the civic revenue.

Since he has attained his majority in 1868 the Duke of Norfolk has, in one way or another, given more than $2,500,000 to the Roman Catholic Church, besides princely sums devoted to private charities.

According to the London Graphic there is living in Klyeta, Japan, a family all of whose members have reached the age of 100 years, and there has been no exception since the family was founded, A. D. 730.

Another cashier of a London, Ont., investment institution has fled to the States. The Americans are not having things all their own way in the matter of absconding bank cashiers. Let us trade Eno off the London man.

It is said that Gordon Brown now writes for the Toronto News, and that it is probable he will soon take the position of editor-in-chief of that journal. This will undoubtedly explain the attitude of the News towards the Reform party and also towards Mr. Goldwin Smith.

The engineer in charge of the works on the Murray Canal has concluded, after minute examination, that there was once communication between Lake Ontario and the Bay of Quinte. It is the accumulation of sand in the bed of this water-course that has made Prince Edward a peninsula rather than an island.

Her Majesty the Queen has sent a number of copies to the Secretary of State of Canada of her book, "More Leaves from My Journal," with the request to forward them to a number of specified libraries in the Dominion; and the Princess Louise has supplimented the gift with some valuable educational prints.

The coinage at the Sydney Mint, the first one established in the Australian colonies, dates back to May 14, 1855, when it was first opened for the the receipt and coinage of gold. From its opening to the end of 1881, the receipts of gold aggregated 13,003,282 ounces, of the value of £49,663,110, or about $241,511,030.

The Provincial Government of Ontario has issued a proclamation putting into force the Act of last session of the Local Legislature which detaches from the Provincial Judicial District of Algoma all the territory formerly comprised within the territorial district of Thunder Bay, and erects the same into a separate Provisional Judicial District by the name of the "Provisional Judicial District of Thunder Bay.

Items that are read in a moment are often the conclusion or substance of a learned address or scholarly review that has been the result of perhaps hours or weeks of reading and meditation. The forcible presentation of a theme in a brief paragraph is read as a happy and flippant thought, carelessly thrown off by an editor, whereas it is not unlikely the nucleus thought of a cargo of words of some book, "boiled down" into a few succient thoughts.

When a man is struck by a bullet, Archibald Forbes tells us, he seldom feels any pain. He feels the blow as if some one had struck him with a fist, but it is not for an hour or two that the wound begins to smart. One English officer in Ashantee went about for some time with a couple of slugs in him without knowing that he had been touched, and it was only when his comrades noticed the blood that he was aware that he had been wounded.

A case of considerable importance to manufacturers was tried at the Assize Court, at Brantford, Ont. M. Malcom & Son, formerly of Scotland village, now of Brantford, were sued by an employee named Standusen for $1000 damages for the loss of an arm a year since in the machinery of the defendant's woolen mill. It came out in the evidence that the plaintiff was in a position not required by his employment when the accident occurred, and he was non suited.

While a Methodist excursion train from Halifax, N. S., with over five hundred people on board was proceeding towards Hansport, on the Windsor and Annapolis line, it was suddenly stopped with a violent shock a short distance beyond Ellershouse. It was at first thought that a wheel had broken, but examination showed that the rails had been broken and spiked with most evident malicious intent. Fortunately no injury or damage resulted. Efforts are being made to apprehend the perpetrators of the villainy.

The London Matrimonial Market.

London and Paris are once more full of returned exiles, and the car of matrimony and other social joys runs fast and furious in the crowd of weddings which have just taken place in England. The page in all kinds of pretty costumes and both sexes has been the chief figure. At the marriage of Lady Alice Nevill the youngest brother and sister were resplendent in violet velvet. Miss Holland's dress, when marrying John Dyson, the eminent Anglo-Indian, was borne by the nephew in purple velvet, and Master Peter Brassey, son of the great millionaire lady who writes about voyages on a sunbeam, officiated at the wedding of Miss Evetts with Captain Wilde of the Sixteenth Lancers in a costume of white satin, slashed with deep red velvet, and stockings of the same hue. The chief impending marriage is that of the daughter of Worth with Taylor Delbarke, a millionaire, who has a palace in the Bois de Boulogne, and a famous art collection. The newspapers are giving a long catalogue of the wealthy Parisian tradesmen, and declare the scepter of the day is the needle, and the millionaires are tailors-dressmakers and milliners.

OUR AUTUMN POET.

Where'er the poet writes a line
Whose final world is sober,
The dullest reader may divine
He sings about October.

Oh, wherefore will he never find
A new rhyme for October?
Why won't he call the chilly wind
The sycamore's disrober?

Why won't he call each squirrel gray
The chestnut's nimble prober,
Where'er he sings his gentle lay
Of russet-shod October?

He e'en might call the lily dead
The humble bee's mulcher,
When singing of the gold and red
That glorifies October.

Before I'd use that hackneyed rhyme,
I'd sing about a crowbar,
And just for once be unsublime,
And call the month Octobar.

Determined to Ascertain Their Vote.

We understand that every effort will be put forward by the proper authorities to ascertain definitely the fate of the Sand Head lighthouse caretakers at the mouth of the Fraser. One of Mr. Van Bremer's steamers has been chartered for this purpose and it will make a thorough cruise of the Gulf and Howe's Sound.

A CURIOUS CASE.

A Chicago Girl Turns Out to Be a Man.

A special dispatch to the San Francisco Chronicle from Chicago, on the 12th inst., is as follows: It is not often the fortune or misfortune of any human being to be at different times of both sexes; to be alternately woman and man. Such cases are almost unknown in medical annals. There was a case some years ago of a woman near Freeport, Ill., who was married and had a child, and afterwards turned out to be a male. She married as a man, and was said to be the father of children. Then there was the curious Frank Dubois case in Wisconsin within the last year, when the woman ran away from her husband, and dressing herself in male garb, won the affections of a girl and married her. The pair were happily keeping house when the advent of the husband disturbed their dream of felicity. The Chronicle is able to lay before its readers a well-attested case of change in sex, and probably one of the most remarkable ones in medical history, and which from the prominence of the parties is sure to be of general interest. The family live in Chicago in a fine residence upon a fashionable thoroughfare.

John C. Spry of Gardner & Spry, lumber dealers, is a well-known, wealthy and respected citizen. His residence is upon the northwest corner of Loomis and West Monroe streets, fronting Jefferson Park. His family consisted of four girls and three boys up to about two months ago. He now has four boys and three girls. The eldest daughter, Miss Eliza Spry, was married a few years ago to John Harvey, of the firm of Harvey Brothers, clothiers, at 84 State street, but is now a widow. The second daughter, Miss Harriet Spry, was always a favorite among her youthful companions, playmates and schoolfellows. It was never suspected that she was other than what she seemed—a bright, pretty girl, quick and intelligent, learning easily and inclined to take the lead in childish sports and games.

It was only when she was approaching maturity, at the age of 17, that it was discovered that she was unconsciously masquerading as a girl and was in reality a boy. The intelligence came in the nature of a shock to those who had been intimate friends and playfellows of Miss Harriet, and as yet it is not a subject upon which the young women in the neighborhood talk to any great extent. In fact they are inclined to consider it a "put-up job," and resent any mention of the matter with the deepest feminine anger.

The facts were well known to all the women of the neighborhood, but the delicacy of the subject prevented any free conversation or expression of opinion. In most cases an application for information was bluntly and positively refused. The physicians, though fully aware of the case in all its details, had their lips closed by professional etiquette. An application at the residence of Mr. Spry was folly and not to be thought of. After a patient investigation of over a week, a reporter was able to learn the true facts as given below, and they will be found to be substantially correct.

Miss Harriet, or Hattie Spry, as she was familiarly called, was brought up as a girl and considered herself as such. Much care was spent upon her training and education. She attended the West Division High School, and was a frequent visitor to the Natatorium, at which she was considered an expert swimmer. Her powerful frame, awkward movements and athletic manner excited a suspicion among her girl friends. She made rapid and satisfactory progress with her studies. Then there came a time when manly down adorned her upper lip, her voice, too, deepened from its not unpleasant contralto, and was alternated with the full chest tones of a basso. The young women of the school were quick to see all these indications and their suspicions were aroused. There began to be nods and winks, and for the first time in her life Miss Hattie began to get the cold shoulder. The matter was brought to the attention of the teachers and Miss Hattie was sent home, when the young and old maidens breathed more freely, and declared they never heard of such a thing in their lives.

When Miss Hattie had been home some days she had a private and confidential conversation with her mother, which resulted in the calling in of an eminent surgeon, Dr. Moses Gunn, well known in medical circles, and a preliminary examination and corroboratory circumstances convinced all parties that an operation was necessary. When this was concluded, Miss Harriet, now Harry Spry, put on suit of her brother's clothes, had her hair cut, bought a razor and entered upon a new career as a young man. In a day or two, in company with his brother, he departed for a school for boys and young men in the city of Boston, where at last accounts he was prosecuting his studies diligently and fitting himself for the battle of life. A number of physicians spoken with upon this very interesting case say that there are few like it on record in books of medical science.

RAILWAY NOTES.

Messrs. Croft and Angus, of Chemainus, are supplying the bridge timber for the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway.

The gap between the Oregon Railway and Navigation road and the Oregon Short Line will be closed by the 15th of November.

Messrs. Graham and Busk have over 200 men employed in the Chemainus district and between Chemainus and Oyster Bay they have already cleared six miles.

The following shows the earnings of the Northern Pacific Railroad: Month of September, 1883, $1,194,713; 1884, $1,236,565; increase, $41,851. July 1st to September 30th, 1883, $3,088,561; 1884, $3,279,910; increase, $191,349. Mileage, 1883, 2365; 1884, 2453; increase, 88.

Tacoma News of the 16th: The first through passenger train from Portland came in last night, and the first southbound through train left the same evening. Trains now leave the wharf station daily at 6:25 p. m., arriving at Portland at 2:30 a. m.; and leave Portland for Tacoma at 1:15 p. m., arriving here at 9:55 p. m.

The report of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company for the year ending June 30th shows gross earnings for the year of $5,364,906; 1883, $5,100,512; increase, $264,393; operating expenses, 1884, $2,882,331; 1883, $2,624,170; increase, $258,167; net earnings, 1884, $2,482,574; 1883, $2,476,341; increase, $6233. The liabilities were: Capital stock, $24,000,000; first mortgage 6 per cent. bonds, $6,000,000; dependures, 7 per cent., $6,000,000; scrip, 8 per cent., $1,200,000; total, $37,200,000.

NEW BOOKS.

JOY, by Mary Crommelin.

THE ART OF LIFE, and The Life of Art, by Alex F. Oakley.

THE GUIDE TO THE WORK TABLE, containing instructions in Berlin work, crochet, etc.

MISS RICHARDS' BOY, by the author of the Josiah Allen's Wife's Books.

'ROUND THE WORLD, by Andrew Carnegie.

LATEST SEASIDES AND FRANKLIN SQUARES.

At Ferguson & Co.'s, Government Street.

Whatever makes men good Christians makes them good citizens.

LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

"Twilight dues are falling fast," sang the Wall street cashier as he started for Canada.

All meals cooked in sight, and no Chinese employed at the Queen Chop House, Yates street.

"Oh, yes. Jones is getting on first rate. He's just coining money in his new business." "Ah I'm glad to hear it. What is he engaged in?" "Counterfeiting."

Fine oysters, steaks and chops at the Queen Chop House, Yates street.

When a coachman marries his mistress their positions become reversed. Before marriage he drives her; after marriage she drives him—if she is like most women.

Jones—"But can Smith be trusted. Does he know anything about politics?" Brown—"He is politic." Jones—"That's sufficient. To be politic is to know all there is in politics."

Quail, partridge, and spring chicken on toast, at Queen Chop House, Yates street.

An Indian in Victoria kicked his squaw to death. She had money and wouldn't divide. This comes of educating Indians. He had probably been reading a newspaper

The Gossamer.

Another shipment of the celebrated Gossamer Boot and Shoes to hand at the B. C. boot and shoe store. For style, fit and durability they have no equal. Inspection invited. H. Mansell, agent, Government street.

The Effects of Whisky.

"What is that you've got growing on your face?" inquired Yeast of Crimsonbeak the other morning.

"Oh, it's a swelling of some sort," replied the afflicted man.

"Why dont you put some whisky on it?"

"What for?"

"Why to break it."

"Will that break it?"

"Well, I should think so. I've known whisky to 'break' many a 'swell.'"

A. McLean & Company

Beg to intimate that they have received a choice assortment of winter and fall goods in all their departments, they call special attention to their stock of real Scotch tweeds, made up in the latest styles in suits, mens' and boys' overcoats, being the only house in the city that makes a speciality in these goods and Scotch underclothing, would solicit an early inspection of the same as they will be sold at the smallest possible advance on English cost.

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"Yes, my dear daughter, I wish you would do your best to captivate the heart of our coachman." "And elope with him, papa?" "Yes, my dear." "Ah, I see, you dear, good papa, you want all the papers to say I am a fascinating beauty and the reigning belle." "Well, of course, that will help a little, but that's not the main point." "What is the main point, papa?" "Well, you see, the papers will say you are the daughter of a millionaire." "Well." "Well, that will enlarge my credit. See? Now run out to the stable, that's a good girl."

Real Estate Boom.

Houses are going up at Spring Ridge at an unprecedented rate, and property in this quarter is becoming very valuable, and from present indications is likely to increase considerably in value within a few months. Messrs. Innes & Graveley have for sale three lots in this locality at an extremely low figure for cash.

A lawyer, defending a handsome young lady charged with larceny, closed his appeal to the jury thus: "Gentlemen, you may hang the ocean on a grape vine to dry, lasso an avalanche, pin a napkin to the mouth of a volcano, skim the clouds from the sky with a teaspoon, paste 'To Let' on the moon and stars, but never for a moment delude yourselves with the idea that this charming girl is guilty of the charge preferred against her." The jury acquitted her without leaving their seats.

"So you are the new girl," said the boarders to the pretty waiter lass; and what name are we to call you?" "Pearl," said the maid, with a saucy toss of her head. "Oh!" asked the smart boarder, "are you the pearl of great price?" "No; I am the pearl that was cast before swine," retorted the pretty waiter. There was a long silence, broken only by the buzz of the flies in the milk pitcher.

"Are you the Rev. Dr. B.?" a young man inquired of a citizen on the street. "No, sir, but I am frequently taken for him. We resemble each other closely. I am a lawyer and make a specialty of divorce cases. Has your object in finding the Rev. Dr. B. any connection with matrimony?" "Well, yes," the young man blushingly acknowledged. "Hm, I thought so. Just put that card where you won't lose it."

"What name does your husband call you by?" said a bride to a friend who had been married several years. "Does he call you ducky or lovey?" My darling calls me ducky." "Does he? Mine used to call me popsey-wopsey, but he doesn't use that term now." "What does he call you then?" "He calls me, 'Say, there.'"

"Yes, sir," said the entomologist," "I can tame flies so that when I whistle they will come and alight on my hand." "Pshaw!" said the bald-headed man, "that's nothing; they come and alight on my head without whistling." The entomologist sat down.

"Do you know what the board over that cow's face is for?" asked the Colonel. "No," responded the Major, "unless it is to keep her blushes from being seen when the milkman works the pump handle."

CHURCH SERVICES TO-MORROW

First Presbyterian Church, corner Pandora and Blanchard street. Rev. Donald Fraser, pastor Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

The Calvary Baptist Society meets in Temperance Hall, Pandora street. Rev. Walter Barss, pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and at 7 p. m. Sunday

The Daily Times.

Victoria, Saturday, October 18, 1884.

QUESTION.

[Elliot C. True.]

When you are old and I am old,
And Passion's fires are burned to embers,
And life is as a tale that's told,
And only worth what love remembers,

If we should meet—As quiet folk—
And change opinions of the weather,
Could word or look again provoke
The heart and eyes to speak together—

The heart benumbed with so much ache,
The eyes bedimmed with so much crying!
Do buds long blighted ever break,
And green the vine already dying!

What hand of skill shall draw the line
'Twixt sordid love and holier passion?
What art shall fix the unfailing sign,
And bring its reading into fashion!

What is the meaning of it all,
The chastening woe, the vanished sweetness,
If dark Oblivion's night shall fall
Forever on its incompleteness!

When you are dead, and I am dead,
Our faces lost, our names unspoken,
Shall then the mystery be read?
Can heaven bind what earth has broken!

In clearer light and fairer day,
With finer sense the impulse proving,
Unfettered of this hindering clay,
Oh, what must be the joy of loving!

Anæsthetic Leprosy.

[St. Louis Globe-Democrat.]

Anæsthetic leprosy generally begins with blebs or blisters, which include the entire thickness of the skin. These are filled with a liquid which may be clear, but is generally reddish from admixture with blood. They are of the size of a nut or larger, and usually located upon the extremities. The fluid is absorbed, leaving after them depressed scars, which are always anæsthetic. The nerve cords of the extremities are usually thickened, enlarged and mostly insensitive to pressure. The skin becomes dry and harsh, the hair falls, the muscles waste, the skin of the face is stretched tightly, causing the lips and the eyelids to separate, and a constant flow of tears and saliva still further annoy the victim. The hands become distorted by contraction of the muscles which bend the fingers; the nails are irregular in their growth, and finally ulcers appear as in the tubercular variety. These are of all sizes, shapes and depths. They are often entirely anæsthetic. They cause the joints of the fingers and toes to drop off piecemeal, producing various degrees of mutilation. The ulcers frequently involve the eyes and nose, so that sight and the sense of smell are destroyed. Deafness results from the deeper-seated affections of the nerve of hearing, which undergo the same degenerative changes which may be observed in those of the extremities.

Death may occur at any period from blood-poisoning, produced by absorption of decomposing maticuls from the ulcers, or from exhaustion caused by profuse discharges from the same source. Of course, accidents occasionally occur which hasten the fatal termination. Thus, a leper was choked to death a few years ago in San Francisco, while eating, the process of swallowing having been interfered with by the leprous ulcerations in the throat. The anæsthetic variety is the longest in duration of those here described. From eighteen to twenty years is not an uncommon period for a leper of this variety to suffer before he dies.

A Monarchy for Sale.

[Chicago Times.]

A small paradise, but one large enough for all practical purposes, is advertised for sale at auction. It is the island of Herm, situated in the English channel, about midway between Stark and Guernsey. It is a mile and a half long by about half a mile wide, and is estimated to contain 460 acres. Some 300 acres are under cultivation. Several hills are terraced and planted to choice grapes. There are fine orchards of apple, pear, plum and cherry trees, and large plantations of small fruits. A native forest covers one end of the island, and this is stocked with game. A part of the coast is precipitous, and affords a magnificent view of the ocean. The remainder is a clean shell beach. There is a fine granite quarry on the island, located close to the harbor, which is an excellent one. There is on the island a commodious hotel and several desirable residences.

The property is guaranteed free from taxes of each and every description forever. No person can land on the island without the consent of the owner. The proprietor can be monarch of all he surveys. He can be entirely secluded in his little world if he desires to be. There are few things of necessity or luxury, however, that the island does not afford. The climate is all that can be desired. The fishing is excellent and game is abundant. The island is the resting-place for birds in their migratory flights. No vermin of any kind exists on the island. The net revenue of the property derived from early vegetables, fruit, fish, game and granite is about $3,000 a year, but can easily be doubled if the proprietor wishes to make money. Here is a chance for a man of means who desires to live in quiet and enjoy pleasures that are difficult to obtain with money. The title comes directly from the British government, and the property is only subject to an annual rental of $90. It is to be sold entire, and not in lots to suit purchasers.

Who Are the Rude?

[Exchange.]

A social critic writes that coarse manners are as common among the foreign visitors at Saratoga as among the natives. Another critic writes: "I have heard people criticised as boorish who were far less coarse and rude in spirit than their critics; and some of the most polished people I have ever met were hard and cold, and so regardless of other people's feelings that they were vastly more disagreeable and more shocking to my sense of propriety than some homely folk, awkward and untutored in manner, but warm-hearted, considerate and unselfish in all their living. Give us a little charity for the so-called boors of society till we discover a quick way to detect true refinement from its polished counterfeit."

A Victorious Rooster.

[Chicago Times.]

A chicken rooster entered a lady's house at Marietta, Ga., the other day, and, seeing himself reflected in a large, handsome mirror, deemed it his bounden duty to go for the reflected intruder, and he forthwith threw himself against the mirror, shattering it all to pieces. With the breaking of the glass, his shadow disappeared, and he concluded that he had demolished his supposed antagonist. The noise brought the good lady into the house, when she found her valuable mirror in ruins and the rooster perched on the marble slab crowing for victory.

Santa Anna's Fortune.

It is a mistake that Santa Anna left Mexico a poor man. He carried into exile in the West Indies a great fortune, spent thousands cock fighting and gambling, and left his widow rich.

A Discovery.

A very important discovery has been made in the south in the fact that a layer of Spanish moss in a dike or a dam prevents its destruction by the crayfish boring holes in it.

The Londoners have what they call "healthries"—restaurants where vegetable food alone is served.

Editorial Penmanship.

[William Washburn.]

Everybody knows that Horace Greeley used to "write a fist" that was the terror of those Tribune compositors who had not learned to decipher it. None of the leading editors of New York at the present time resemble him in this respect. The chirography of Charles A. Dana, of The Sun, is like copperplate. Joseph Pulitzer, of The World, writes a bold, clear hand. Whitelaw Reid, of The Tribune, has a hand as clear as print, though he often runs his words into each other. Mr. Sandison, of The Star, has the hand of a writing master. Albert Pelitzer, of The Morning Journal, turns off script that you can read as you run. Charles Nordhoff, of The Herald, models his characters upon the most approved pattern, and does not stint his ink. Parke Godwin, of The Commercial Advertiser, wields the pen of an artist. His two rivals on the evening press, Godkin of The Post and Bundy of The Mail, write in a crabbed hand, which, however, the printers learn to read by practice. As I have never seen the manuscript of Miller of The Times or Comery of Truth, I can tell nothing about it. John Swinton, ex-editor of The Times and The Sun, writes a hand that makes compositors fight for his "copy."

While the chirography of all the New York editors of the present time may thus be described, it must be added that Murat Halstead of The Commercial Gazette of Cincinnati is the most hideous penman on the American continent, the legitimate successor, in this respect, of Horace Greeley. In Chicago, there is an editor, Henry D. Lloyd, of The Chicago Tribune, whose handwriting is perfection, and bears a remarkable resemblance to the late Henry J. Raymond, of The New York Times.

Food Fishes of Lake Erie.

[Exchange.]

In a paper read before the Buffalo Naturalists' Field club it is stated that Lake Erie and the Niagara river furnish thirty-seven marketable varieties of fish. But their numbers are becoming rapidly reduced in those waters, owing in great measure to so many fish being taken when they are full of roe. Some fish spawn late in the fall; the eastern salmon, salmon-trout, whitefish, brook-trout and lake herring belong to this class, but the majority spawn in April, May or early June. Black bass choose a place for their spawn-beds where the water is shallow and the bottom is a sandy gravel. They leave their winter quarters in deep water a month or six weeks previous to spawning. The eggs hatch in from one to two weeks, according to the temperature.

Bass are very prolific, yielding fully one-fourth their weight of spawn. The bass and the muskallonge are the recognized game-fish of the lakes. White fish do not take the bait readily, but are caught in gillnets, and can be taken in great numbers just at the time they are ready to spawn. They average three and a half pounds in weight, though some are taken weighing ten to eighteen pounds. Sturgeon average fifty pounds, but occasionally one is caught that weighs a hundred pounds or over. Fish differ greatly in rapidity of growth. Some grow in one, two or three years to a definite size, and then growth seems to be arrested. Such fish are short-lived. Other kinds, which slowly and steadily increase in size, attain a great age. Pike have been known to be over 100 years old.

Advice to Young Voters.

[Boston Transcript.]

Young man, you will vote for the first time next November. I don't want to influence you, but candor compels me to say that if you do not heed my words, and you contribute to the election of any candidate but the one I vote for, you may take my word the country is ruined. I don't care what you call yourself so long as you vote my ticket. There are good men in every party, but more in my party than in any other, and you should choose impartially. Only I don't want to see you walk up to the polls and cast your first vote with the party—

That threw bananas peels on the side-walk;

That composed "Sweet Violets;"

That struck William Patterson and then hid itself from just vengeance in a cloud of anonymity;

That wrote "Beautiful Snow;"

That invented walking matches;

That slandered George Washington by naming the pie after him;

That learns to play the violin with the window open;

That imparted the secret of selling a mugful of froth for a mugful of beer; and

That told the policeman that somebody was being murdered in your house when your sister-in-law was singing.

Just choose for yourself, but keep away from the party that indorses the above platform.

Actors' Earnings in the Last Century

[Lon[illegible]n [illegible].]

An item in Mr. [illegible] Marshall's library on sale at Messrs. Sotheby's, affords an opportunity for seeing the payments made to actors at Covent Garden theatre in 1740-41. I notice that Ryan received 25 shilling a night, Delane 30 shillings, Cibber 20 shillings, Hippisley 20 shillings, Denoyer 30 shillings a night, Hallam 28 shillings 4 pence, Rich 16 shillings 8 pence. Of the gentler sex, Barbarini got 42 shillings, Horton 30 shillings, Woolington 17 shillings 6 pence, Rowland 13 shillings 4 pence, Bellamy 10 shillings. Compare these payments with present-day prices. A popular Thespian now gets for a single performance as large a sum as his forefathers obtained for a whole season. For instance, Mme. Judic's contract for 210 coming performances in the states will bring her 42,000 pounds sterling. M. Capoul is also to receive 8 pounds sterling a night, M. Baron 40 pounds sterling.

Flowery Language.

[Philadelphia Call.]

Groom—Now, Lily, dear Lily, is your former home. It's a daisy place, and of course you keep its memories in violet."

Bride (ex-widow)—Yes, I think it the pink of perfection.

Groom—Ah, and this I presume is your little boy. What a bright, rosy-cheeked lad he is.

Bride—Yes, he is the flower of the family. Johnny, jump up and welcome your new poppy.

Not in the Catechism.

[Rest n Globe.]

The teacher of a Chelsea Sunday-school recently asked her pupils the following questions, expecting "sin" for an answer. "What, children, causes the most trouble and misery in the world?"

For a time no one answered; but finally, a small, bright looking boy held up his hand and gravely said: "Skeeters."

Rent Reductions.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Under the Gladstone Irish land act some 144,000 cases of fair rents have been fixed—74,000 in the court and 70,000 by agreement under its auspices—and the total reduction on the previous rents amounts to $2,700,000 per annum.

Cholera and Fear.

[Galveston News.]

"There is a story in the east of a meeting between a dervish and the cholera in a desert. "Where are you going?" asked the holy man. "To Bagdad," answered the cholera; "I go to kill 20,000 people. Some months afterward the two met again, and the dervish said: "You villain, you lied to me: you killed 60,000." "Not so," replied the cholera, "I killed only my number; the other 40,000 died of fright."

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